

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

J. A. Simpson was a visitor in Albany this week.

Attorney W. E. Yates was a visitor in Independence, Wednesday on business.

Yesterday morning the river only lacked about three feet of being too high for the ferry to do business.

St Marys' Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, hold their regular meeting at Masonic Hall next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Davis, of Philomath, arrived Wednesday and is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Johnson, in south Corvallis.

Recorder T. T. Vincent will deliver an address at the annual meeting of the Bellfountain Grange at that place tomorrow.

Joe Garrow arrived Tuesday from Moffet, California, and will spend the holidays with his relatives in this city. He was expected home last week but was detained.

Road Supervisor H. M. Fleming and Judge Watters left Tuesday for Salem to attend the State Good Roads convention, held there Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

The sale to be given by the Ladies of the Presbyterian church, will be held at the home of Mrs. W. P. Lafferty, just across the street from Mrs. F. L. Miller, having to be changed on account of sickness.

The busiest place in town is Bauer & Wilkins' Tailor shop, where they are working early and late to get out their Christmas orders. These gentlemen are artists in their line and it is pleasing to see that their work is appreciated by the good dressers of Corvallis.

It is reported that the water is getting so high in the low places and sloughs on the east side road to Albany that the travel will soon be cut off. If it gets very much higher, the mail stage will have to go to Albany via the west side road which will be inconvenient for the east side patrons.

The window display and interior decorations at the big store of Nolan and Callahan is one that would be a credit to any metropolitan store and attracts the attention of all passersby. It is certainly a pretty piece of work, and shows the skill and good taste of the decorator, Cecil Cathey.

Morris B. Dudley spent several days in the city this week. Mr. Dudley is an ex-newspaper man, having been identified for a number of years with the editorial staff of the New York Herald. He is at present managing the James Keane company which comes to the Corvallis Opera House next Monday night.

Never have the OAC football men practiced with more determination than they are doing since the contract was made to play Multnomah team. The men are going into the club team with a "do or die" spirit, and it will be certain that Multnomah's cracked players will realize that they have been in a football game after OAC gets through with them.

The members of the home organization, who participated in the amateur performance of "What Happened to Jones" when it was presented here some time ago, are awaiting with eager interest the opportunity of seeing Mr. Keane and his players in their production of this popular comedy next Tuesday evening. Manager Dudley of the Keane company, says it is pretty risky to follow such a strong company in a play but he has decided to chance it, just for the sake of comparison if nothing more.

Small & Son expect to begin remodeling their building on Main street about Jan. 1, so that their two confectionary stores may be consolidated, and Mr. Spencer, who occupies a part of the building, has been given notice to seek a new location. It is rumored that the building now occupied by Small's cigar store is to be occupied by a firm from Portland, though it is not known the nature of the business. To date, Mr. Spencer has been unable to secure another suitable location.

Yesterday the river showed to be about nine or ten feet above the low water mark, so that the boats can resume operations on the upper river for the balance of the year. The Pomona arrived up Wednesday night and left Thursday morning and the new light draught Oregon came up Thursday night and left for Portland Friday morning. They will continue this schedule for the rest of the winter, thereby giving Corvallis a daily boat service. The fare to Portland is \$1.75 and excellent meals will be served on board for 35 cents. Notice their ad in this paper.

R. B. Hall and C. S. Curran were visitors in Albany the first of the week.

Don't forget the lecture at the Opera House Saturday night, Dec. 17, by Herbert S. Ellison.

A reception to new members, of whom there are about 20, is to be given in the Christian church this evening.

Election of officers and initiation of new members occurred in the Maccabee lodge here last Wednesday evening.

An entertaining afternoon was spent by the Ladies' Whist Club, Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. H. Taylor, in this city.

The Masons have just had a fine stage built across one end of their hall, and the floor of one of the rooms has been covered with linoleum.

Miss Gussie England, who has been visiting at the home of Rev. Moses for some time, left yesterday for her home in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

The Independent telephone company are rushing work on their lines right along. Two rural lines were connected with central this week and orders for phones are coming in faster than they can be filled.

Street rumor has it that there will soon be something doing in the electric railway circles. Wish they'd hurry up, we've almost forgotten that there ever was any talk of an electric line between Corvallis and Eugene.

The entertainment given by the Fireman at their hall last evening was most successful. The members were out in full force, and all report a jolly good time. Such attractions as this will do much to keep interest and enthusiasm up in the Department and should be repeated.

W. C. Corbett is doing quite an extensive export business this winter in shipping tiles. He shipped several dray loads to parties in Albany, this week and almost every day ships out orders for tiling to nearby towns. His brick and tile factory is located near the Crystal Lake cemetery.

The matter of installing the electric fire alarm system, mentioned in this paper last week, was laid over until the next meeting of the council, when it is thought most likely the system will be ordered put in. By all means such a fire alarm system should be adopted by Corvallis, unless a better plan can be made feasible.

E. H. Bauer, supt. of Portland's next poultry show, was so well impressed with the showing made by Corvallis poultry at the recent exhibit in this city, that he has offered a silver cup for the best pair of chickens from Corvallis exhibited at the show to be held in Portland next week. The following Corvallis fanciers have already made entries: Mrs. Linderman, F. L. Miller; Gene Simpson; J. M. Porter; Dr. Lester; Jas. Horing; Wm. Emery; S. E. Beal and Dick Kiger.

The matter of extending the city limits of Corvallis was brought up at the regular meeting of the council last Monday night, and Councilmen Colbert, Emery and Porter were detailed as a committee to look into the matter. It is suggested that the limits be extended to the north, west and south so as to bring in these suburbs. If this is done the population of the city would be greatly increased, but there is considerable feeling against the proposed move, as they would be liable to a city tax, which now they are exempt from.

There is a bad hole in the sidewalk at the approach to the Marys river bridge on the north end that ought to be fixed at once by the city. The sidewalk is two or three feet above the ground at that place, and it would be a very easy thing for someone to step through and break a leg, especially as the light over the bridge hangs so low that each end of the bridge is in total darkness at night. There is much complaint in regard to this light as it is practically of no use in its present position, being placed barely above the structural work of the bridge, so that the heavy timbers cast large shadows over the bridge, and thus prevents the light from reaching the two approaches where it is most needed. If it was placed ten or twenty feet higher it would give much better satisfaction.

Special Meeting M. W. A.

There will be a special meeting of Corvallis Camp, No. 6029, at the Hall Saturday night, December 17, to appoint three managers to audit the books.

L. A. BARKER, V. C.
O. J. BLACKLEDGE, Clerk.

Foley's Kidney Cure
makes kidneys and bladder right.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

Xmas cards at Gerhard's.

Olives in bulk at P. M. Zierolf's.

Perry pictures at Gerhards.

Patronize home industry—Corvallis Steam Laundry.

Everything in books at bookstore prices at Gerhards.

Do not fail to see P. M. Zierolf's line of holiday china.

Have your eyes fitted by your resident optician, D. E. Mathews.

Souvenir postal cards at Gerhard's.

Get your school books and school supplies at Graham & Wells.

G. B. Whitney sells the Edison Phonograph.

All the latest popular music at half price at Gerhard's.

Lewis and Clark souvenir plates at P. M. Zierolf's.

Silk and woolen goods a specialty at Corvallis Steam Laundry.

Club rates on magazines at Gerhard's.

You can make your own records with the Edison Phonograph.

OAC souvenir dishes at P. M. Zierolf's.

Xmas tree ornament at Gerhard's.

Send your lace curtains to Corvallis Steam Laundry.

No changing needles with the Edison Phonograph.

Pictures from one cent up, at Gerhard's.

Hay for sale at Bodine's Warehouse, old carriage factory. Ind. phone 290.

Sweet music without the buzz-saw effect, with the Edison Phonograph.

Turkeys wanted from the 16th to 20th of December. Highest cash price paid by Smith & Boulden.

Call at Whitney's and hear the best reproduction of sound ever made. It is from the Edison Phonograph.

It will pay you to walk a few blocks to see Nolan & Callahan's holiday windows and interior decorations.

A new phone has been put in by the Bell company for Jack and Bob the up-to-date cleaners and dyers. The number is 531.

A \$50 diamond ring free. A ticket with each dollar purchase from E. W. S. Pratt, the jeweler and optician.

D. E. Mathews, Chicago optician will open an optical store in Corvallis early in December. Wait for him.

Buy Christmas Goods at E. W. S. Pratt, the jeweler and optician, and get a ticket with each dollar's worth. The lucky person gets a \$50 diamond ring.

The Edison gold-moulded record costs only 35c. Phonographs \$10, \$20, \$30 and \$50 and are the best on earth, at Whitney's, South Main street.

The Endeavor Aid of the United Evangelical will have a number of things suitable for Christmas gifts on sale at Harris' store on next Monday and throughout the week. Don't forget about them.

A Frightened Horse.

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurring. It behooves everybody to have a reliable salve handy, and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, cuts, sores, eczema and piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. Twenty-five cents at Allen & Woodward's drug-store.

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HEADQUARTERS, 1904.
EVERYTHING NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS UNDER ONE ROOF
AT THE BUSY BIG STORE.

GAMES.
Crokinole and combination game boards. A large assortment of these novel and fascinating games with plenty of excitement on land or sea.
From 25c. to \$3 50.

DOLLS XMAS FAIR 1904.
You'll find here a collection of every nationality and description. Some are dressed very stylish while others are negligee ready for dressing. Bring the little folks and visit them.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
For ladies and gentlemen, in plain, silk, hemstitched, lace and embroidered edges of all kinds. All new.
5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c 50c, 75c.



XMAS SLIPPERS.
For ladies and gentlemen. Our line is large and very attractive. See window display. 50c. to \$2 00.

INLAID WOOD NOVELTIES
And Basketry. Something entirely different than has ever before shown in this city. Boxes in all shapes and sizes. Hand carved and inlaid with bark and fancy wood, 25c. to \$3. Baskets for sewing, gloves, handkerchiefs and many other uses. Some are made to be lined and drawn with ribbons while others are ready for use. 5c. to \$1 25.

ALBUMS.
Photo and autograph albums of every description.
25c. to \$5 00.

Our Holiday Stocks were never so beautiful and comprehensive as they are this year. You can make your Christmas purchases now, out of full assortments, and at your leisure, avoiding the great crowds that will come later on, and if any goods are to be shipped, insure their certain delivery on time.

NOTICE.
We will hold purchases made now, and deliver them to you any day in December that you want them.
BUY NOW

PICTURES AND DECORATED WARE.
I have a full assortment in cups, saucers, dishes, lamps, etc.
From 5c. to \$5 00

COLLAR AND CUFF BOXES.
Glove and Handkerchief, Jewel and Work Boxes. A more beautiful assortment than ever of these goods.
\$ 50 to \$2 50.

OVERCOAT SPECIAL.
The finest and best line we have ever had. All at a reduced price during the month. \$5 00 to \$18.



TIES, MUFFLERS, GLOVES,
And suspenders. The latest designs and colors in values that can't be beat.
26c. to \$1 50.

PURSES AND AUTO BAGS.
All new and novel at 25c. to \$2 50.

LADIES FURS.
Rich furs at low prices during holidays. \$1 50, \$3.00, 5 00 up to \$9 00.

TOILET CASES.
In all the latest novelties. 50, 75c, \$1 \$1 50 up to \$5 00.

The Busy Big Store is now at its best and I would like you to come and look at our Christmas Display. That's all I ask.
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